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A DISPATCH, of which the following is an Extract, has been received from the Right Honorable Lord Minto, His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Vienna, by the Right Honorable Lord Grenville, His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Foreign Department.

MY LORD, *Vienna, April 17, 1800.*

I Have the Satisfaction to acquaint your Lordship that the Campaign has opened in Italy by an important Success on the Side of the Austrians. On the 6th Instant General Melas attacked the several Posts occupied by the French to the Northward and Westward of Savona and Vado, and drove them from the Positions of Torre la de Buona, Monte Notte, and several others: Some of these Posts

were strongly entrenched, and one of them defended by Three Thousand Men; but they were carried by the Courage and Conduct of the Austrian Troops, who appear to have acquired much Honor on this Day.

The Enemy retired with Precipitation on Vado and Savona, leaving their Cannon and about Three Hundred Prisoners; among whom is a Chef de Brigade and several Officers of Distinction. In the Night between the 6th and 7th the Troops evacuated Vado, having destroyed the Stores and spiked the Cannon, and retired, by Sea, towards Nice. Their Number is supposed to have been between Seven and Eight Hundred.

The Austrians took Possession of the Fort of Vado in the Morning, and found Seventeen Pieces of heavy Artillery. General Melas immediately invested Savona.

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